

- (4) Efforts are being made for improvement in terminal facilities and provision of proper facilitation to the passengers.
- (5) Steps are being taken to progress towards implementation of Satellite based Communication, Navigation, Surveillance and Air Traffic Management (CNS/STM) systems.

Training of AI and IA pilots

17. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that even if our airports are equipped for CAT II or HI landing systems, IA and AI pilots will not be able to land as they are not specially trained for this; and

(b) what action the airlines are taking in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) and (b) DGCA has finalised and issued the training requirements for authorising flight crew for Category II/IIIA operations. All the scheduled airlines have been advised to train their pilots accordingly so that they can operate flights under Category II/IIIA conditions. The airlines are taking necessary action.

Renaming of Vadodara Airport after Sri Aurobindo

18. DR. B.B. DUTTA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had set up a National Committee for celebration of the 125th Birth Anniversary of Sri Aurobindo;

(b) whether it has been decided by the National Committee to name Vadodara Airport after Sri Aurobindo; and

(c) if so, whether Government have taken any decision to name Vadodara Airport after Sri Aurobindo; and

(d) what is the present status of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Committee has desired that Vadodara Airport be renamed after Sri Aurobindo.

(c) and (d) The proposal has been referred to the State Government of Gujarat for obtaining their views.

Night Landing facility at Agartala Airport

19. SHRI KHAGEN DAS: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether night landing facility has been provided at Agartala Airport; and

(b) the date from which the night landing facility is operational?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Night Landing facility which was available since 24.5.1997 was suspended temporarily because of cattle menace and obstructions in the approach path. The obstructions have since been removed and a boundary wall has been constructed to prevent the cattle from straying on the airfield. The system has been restored from 15.11.1998.

Recovery of dues from private airlines

20. SHRI A VIJAYA RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Airports Authority of India collected any amount as fees or tax from the private airlines;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of amount collected and outstanding dues from the private airlines including the break-up of different private airlines; and

(d) the steps taken by the AAI to collect the outstanding dues?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The airlines are paying Landing, Parking, Terminal Navigation Landing, Route Navigation Facility Charges, Passenger Service Fee, X-ray baggage charges, and Housing/ Parking charges. The airlines also pay for other services like Licence fee for land/space allotted at airports, Water & Electricity Charges, use of Cargo facilities etc.

(c) The details of amount collected so far and dues as on 31.12.98 are given in the Statement (*See below*)

(d) Credit facility to Private Airlines is allowed against payment of Security deposit and regular follow up is done to realise the dues. In cases where outstanding dues exceed the security deposit steps are initiated for enhancing security deposit, introduction of cash and carry system, actions under Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act, 1971 and other legal proceedings.

Statement

Income earned and Outstanding Dues from Private Airlines', during the Year 1997-98.
(Rs. in Lakhs)

Sl. Name of Airlines No	Income Earned	Outstanding dues as on 31.12.1998.
1. Aerial Airway	2.85	0.00
2. Archana Airway	63.33	14.64
3. East West Airline	161.22	1526.68
4. Jet Airways	9462.14	472.95
5. Jagson Airlines	0.10	41.59
6. Megapode Airlines	3.57	0.41
7. Modiluft	246.79	54.75
8. NEPC Airline	202.85	0.00
9. Raj Airways	0.00	1.26
10. Sahara India Airlines	1965.93	153.59
11. Skyline NEPC Airlines	233.66	339.30
12. UP Airways	210.29	10.33
13. VIF Airways	3.75	31.29
14. Elbee Airways	84.37	34.05
15. Gujarat Airways	127.44	6.71
16. Blue Dart Aviation	171.10	16.97
17. Span Aviation	72.82	27.80
18. Trans Bharat Avn	25.74	12.56
19. ACE Airways	8.91	9.51
20. City Link Airways	0.20	1.08
21. Continental Airlink (P) Ltd.	0.00	27.84
22. Eastern Airways	6.46	0.00
23. India International Airways	14.40	0.10
24. KCV Airlines	2.08	4.82
25. Hals Deoghar Airways	0.00	0.00

Sl. Name of Airlines No.	Income Earned	Outstanding dues as on 31.12.1998.
26 MESCO	6.79	2.23
27 Saraya Aviation	13.27	0.87
28 Bengal Air	6.36	2.50
29 Necon Airlines	0.00	0.88
30 J.K. Corporation	0.00	0.83
31 B.S. Magithia	0.00	0.47
32 United India Airways	0.00	1.83

Corporatisation of five-major airports

21. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:
SHRI N.R. DASARI:
SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to corporatise five major airports in the country; and

b) if so, the salient features of the process of corporatisation and the names of the airports which have been selected for corporatisation?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. It has been decided to corporatise airports at Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Calcutta and the new airports to be constructed at Bangalore. Airports Authority of India (AAI) is in the process of appointing financial and legal consultants to advise AAI on the modalities, of corporatisation and related issues.

Telephone Facilities in Gram Panchayats in North-Eastern Region

22. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of targets fixed by Government to provide telephone facilities in Gram Panchayats in the North-Eastern States particularly in Assam during the last five years and till date;

(b) the details thereof, year-wise and district-wise; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to achieve the targets for providing telephones to Gram Panchayats in these States?